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FORMER VISALIA NURSE SENTENCED TO SIX-YEAR PRISON TERM
FOR POSSESSION OF IMAGES OF CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

Roberta Sue Rigsbee was sentenced to 72 months in prison for her conviction on one count of possession of visual depictions of the sexual exploitation of minors, followed by 72 months of supervised release. During this time the defendant will be required to register as a sex offender, and her access to the internet and children will be restricted. She was ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$4400 to her former employer, University Medical Center in Fresno as a result of receiving payment for work that she did not perform. She also resigned her license as a registered nurse in California as part of her plea agreement. Rigsbee admitted in a plea agreement that on March 15, 2005, she possessed between 300 and 600 images of child sexual exploitation, including images of prepubescent minors, some of which were depictions of violence and sadistic or masochistic conduct.

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